

Cwm Taf Regional Collaborative Committee

28th March 2018, 9.30am, Orbit Centre

Minutes

Present

Cllr Rhys Lewis	Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC
Cllr David Hughes	Merthyr Tydfil CBC
Cheryl Emery	Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC
Derek James	Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC
Suzanne Lewis Abbott	Merthyr Tydfil CBC
Barry Gallagher	DRIVE
Paul Mee	Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC
Audrey Broome	Rhondda Housing Association
Dave Jones	Adref
Julian Pike	Merthyr Tydfil CBC
Angela Stacey	Trivallis
Julie McCarthy	Merthyr Housing Association
Phillip Howells	Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC

In Attendance

Sue Preece	RCT Supporting People
Karl Griffiths	Trivallis
Claire Overd	Trivallis

Apologies

Angela Jones	Public Health Wales
Lisa Curtis-Jones	Merthyr Tydfil CBC
Nicola Davies	Cwm Taf Health Board
Alyn Owen	Merthyr Tydfil CBC
Chris Hole	Merthyr Tydfil CBC
Sarah O'Keefe	Wales and West Housing Association
Giovanni Isingrini	Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC
Mark Anderton	Merthyr Tydfil CBC

Item No	Item	Actions
1	Welcome & Declarations of Interest	Cllr Lewis welcomed members and thanked them for their attendance. Apologies were received.
2	Minutes of the last meeting & Matters Arising	The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as an accurate record of proceedings.

		<p>Item 3:- MTCBC officers concluded that at this time they will not be looking to jointly commission a GRAMO style pre-tenancy training programme with RCTCBC. A Merthyr-specific course will be run through the Neighbourhood Learning Centre.</p> <p>Item 7:- A collated RCC response to the consultation was submitted.</p> <p>Item 10:- The RSP was submitted to WG in February, the deadline was slightly extended due to a delay in WG sending our spend plan templates for pathfinder authorities</p>
3	<p>Tackling Poverty Update – Early Intervention, Prevention & Support Grant / Pathfinder:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update MT • Update RCT 	<p>PH: The flexible funding plan has been accepted for RCT. There are a team of officers looking at commissioning and setting up governance for 19/20. Keen for robust governance to be in place.</p> <p>HM (on behalf of SLA): Chris Hole has arranged a meeting of lead officers from pathfinder grants to identify potential future potential projects. This year the status quo will remain and opportunities for jointly commissioned projects will be explored.</p>
4	Public Service Board Update	<p>ND raised the issue of attendance at PSB. Would it be possible to ask if there is scope for Cllr Rhys Lewis to be a full member of the PSB to link with the RCC. The previous RCC chair used to attend PSB to link with the RCC. Nicola Davies no longer attends routinely as her role has changed.</p> <p>Alternatively, could the PSB deliver regular key messages to the RCC to keep the group informed of PSB developments.</p> <p>ACTION:- HM to contact PSB officers regarding representation – as PSB terms of reference had previously included the Chair of RCC’s being PSB members.</p> <p>Alternatively could the PSB produce a Key Message to keep groups such as the RCC informed of PSB developments.</p> <p>The new Community Zones are a priority for the PSB (Ferndale and Gurnos). There have been some engagement events with more to follow.</p>
5	Social Services & Well Being Act update	<p>Following the production of the population assessment o April 2017, the SSWB Partnership was required to produce an Area Plan in response by April 2018. The Cwm Taf Area Plan has been approved and published. A public facing summary is being developed.</p> <p>Part 9 of the Act prioritises integration of services for specific vulnerable groups including older people, people with Learning disability and children with complex needs.</p>

		<p>The WG consultation on moving Bridgend into the Cwm Taf health board footprint has now closed. If boundary changes are made, this will change the Regional SSWB footprint</p> <p>Welsh Gov have recently highlighted the need for the RPB's to make clear links to housing and education. A discussion took place regarding the numerous boards and committees and the issue of such a vast number of 'priorities' diluting effective focus on priority issues. There is a need to explore opportunities for links with the SP programme for particular groups, including LD.</p> <p>The integrated care fund which originally covered only older people has been extended to now include; children with complex needs, people with learning disabilities and carers. There is new funding in relation to dementia. The WAO have been appointed to review the ICF programme.</p> <p>Sian Nowell has changed roles and there is no current coordinator for the SSWB Act at present – please contact Nicola with any queries until a new officer is appointed.</p>
6	Annual Review – Case studies and Questionnaires	<p>Discussions took place regarding case studies to be submitted within the Annual Review. A decision was made to include the following:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regional SU engagement and Operational Forum 2. Exploration of opportunity to regionally commission hostel provision in Cwm Taf.
7	RCC Work Plan	<p>A discussion took place regarding a method for prioritising work for the forthcoming year. ACTION: HM to arrange a planning day for early Q1 18/19 to plan the work of the RCC over the coming financial year.</p>
8	Provision of support for people with learning disabilities	<p>A discussion took place regarding proportion of the regional SP budget spent on LD services. This was raised by members during the recent drafting of the RSP. Although members felt it was an important issue, there are extremely complex reasons behind budget decisions and reviewing LD would be a significant undertaking. Members agreed that initially LA teams could be asked to clarify their timescales for implementing their own cost calculator prices for all fixed site accommodation, inclusive of LD services. ACTION:- HM to contact SPPG's to establish timescales for this.</p>
9	Update from WG	<p>There were no queries relating the latest SP bulletin from WG.</p>

10	Update from Provider / Landlord Representatives	No updates at this time
11	Regional Outturn (Quarters 2 & 3)	There were no queries relating the latest regional SP outturn. ACTION:- HM to re-circulate the outturn.
12	AOB	No other items raised.